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### **Vote by Mail Ballots for the 2021 General Election are Now Available**

FREEHOLD, NJ – Monmouth County Clerk Christine Giordano Hanlon is reminding residents that voting by mail is an available option for all registered voters in Monmouth County and that the mail-in ballots for the Nov. 2 General Election are now available.

“Voting by mail provides a simple and convenient way to vote early,” said Clerk Hanlon. “It is important to remember that any registered voter can vote by mail for any reason. Every valid vote cast by mail will be included in the election results so residents do not have to worry that their vote will not be counted.”

The Clerk of Elections commenced the mailing of Vote by Mail Ballots for the General Election to voters on Sept. 18, pursuant to New Jersey law.

To vote by mail, voters must first complete a Vote by Mail Ballot Application. The application can be obtained from the County Clerk's Elections webpage at [MonmouthCountyVotes.com](http://MonmouthCountyVotes.com), on the County Clerk's Monmouth County Votes Mobile

App, or by visiting the County Clerk's Elections Office or Municipal Clerk of their hometown.

Applications to Vote by Mail that are sent by U.S. Mail must be received by the County Clerk's Office seven days before an election. For the Nov. 2 Primary Election, the date is Tuesday, Oct. 26.

Voters may also apply in-person at the County Clerk's Elections Office located at 300 Halls Mill Road in Freehold up until 3 p.m. the day before the election. When applying in person, voters can obtain and cast their mail-in ballot early. Voters may submit their ballot to the County Board of Elections for counting either in-person at the Board of Elections at 300 Halls Mill Road or via one of the County's ballot drop box locations.

Simple instructions for completing and returning Vote by Mail ballots are included in the ballot package.

Voting by mail is one of three available options for voting in the 2021 General Election. The other two options are in person early voting at one of the County's 10 designated polling locations from Oct. 23 to 31, which is a new State-mandated voting option this year, and the tradition option of voting in person on Nov. 2 Election Day at your assigned polling location.

Voters with additional questions regarding Voting by Mail should call the County Clerk's Election Division at 732-431-7790 or email [ClerkofElections@co.monmouth.nj.us](mailto:ClerkofElections@co.monmouth.nj.us).

For more information regarding the upcoming election and its three voting options, please visit our Elections Website at [MonmouthCountyVotes.com](http://MonmouthCountyVotes.com) or download our free Monmouth County Votes mobile app.